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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Shimkets *et al.*
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/635,949 EXAMINER: Sheridan Snedden
FILING DATE: August 10, 2000 ART UNIT: 1653
FOR: NOVEL POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING SAME

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Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the October 1, 2002 Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on December 2, 2002. A check in the amount of \$110.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), for a large entity is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-559. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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